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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT

According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 1st-September, through Sunday, 8th-September there were 226 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4O, 4S, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5W, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, E5/s, E7, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FS, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HC8, HI, HK, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH9, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ4, PY, PZ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T2, T32, T5, T7, T8, TA, TF, TG, TI, TJ, TK, TL, TT, TU, TY, TZ, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZL, ZP, ZS, ZS8

*** PLEASE NOTE:** The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3D2 & 3D2/R, FIJI AND ROTUMA ISLANDS (Update to OPDX.1118)

Andy, LZ2HM, has joined the team of Stan/LZ1GC and Rocky/3D2DD to be active from Fiji and Rotuma between September 20th and October 15th. Their schedule is as follows:

> **September 20-26th** - Stan will be active as 3D2GC from the "Club Fiji Resort", Nadi, Fiji Republic, **Viti Levu Island (OC-016**, WW. Loc. RH82QF). Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW and SSB, with the following equipment: Kenwood TS-480 SAT + linear amplifier ACOM 1010/ACOM 1000. The antennas: EXP. GP 40-10m, 80/160 meters INV-L and GP.
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> **September 27th-October 11th** - Callsigns 3D2RA (Andy), 3D2GC/P and 3D2DD/P; from **Rotuma Island (OC-060)**. Activity will be on all HF bands. Stan 3D2GC/P will active on all HF bands, CW/SSB together with Andy, 3D2RA and Rocky, 3D2DD. Rocky will also be active, but only on SSB with the callsign 3D2DD/P. Andy, 3D2RA, will be active on all HF bands, 160-2 meters CW/SSB/DIGITAL (PSK & SSTV) and special attention will be made to work by EME on 50 MHz on JT65A.
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> **October 12-15th** - Callsign 3D2GC again from Fiji Republic. On October 16th, Stan, LZ1GC, will go back to Bulgaria.

Suggested frequencies are as follows:
CW - 1822, 3510, 7007, 10104, 14010, 18070, 21010, 24892 and 28010 kHz
SSB - 1838, 3788, 7088, 14188, 18148, 21288, 24948 and 28488 kHz
RTTY - 1838, 3588, 7038, 10138, 14088, 18108, 21088, 24918 and 28088 kHz
SSTV - 3728, 7038, 14238, 21338 and 28688 kHz
PSK31- 1838, 3578, 7038, 10138, 14078, 18108, 21078, 21918 and 28078 kHz
6m - 50100/CW. 50118/SSB and 50200/RTTY kHz

QSL 3D2GC and 3D2GC/P via LZ1GC, direct or by the Bureau (see details on QRZ.com or the Web page below). QSL 3D2RA, 3D2DD and 3D2DD/P via info on QRZ.com. For more details and updates, see:

http://3d2gc.com

3DA0, SWAZILAND (Update to OPDX.1120/1122)

Roger/ZS6RJ and a Multi- International team of operators will be active as 3DA0ET from Piggs Peak, Swaziland, between November 18-27th. Some of the operators also took part in the 2012 7P8D DXpedition. Currently, the 12 operators mentioned are Emil/DL8JJ, Chris/G8APB , John/GW4SKA (RTTY Team Leader), Frosty/K5LBU (Co-Leader), George/KL7GS, Neil/VA7DX, Don/VE7DS, Keith/ VE7MID (Low-Band Leader), Bob/W5UQ, Victor/WB0TEV, Sam/ZS6BRZ and Roger/ ZS6RJ (Co-leader).

They plan to have 4 stations on the air, covering all the HF bands (160-10 meters) and 6 meters (secondary) using CW, SSB and RTTY. There will be a focus on RTTY, and they plan to have a dedicated full-time RTTY station on the air from start to finish. Roger, ZS6RJ, informs OPDX readers,

> "We're also running an up-front survey (link on the home page) asking DXers what bands/modes etc. they need the most for Swaziland."

Activity will also include the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 23-24th) as a Multi-two entry. Dick, N7RO, will be the QSL Manager for 3DA0ET. Tony, LZ1JZ, will be printing and supplying the QSL cards. QSOs will be uploading daily to LoTW and ClubLog. They will not be using eQSL. More specific details about direct and Bureau QSLs will follow in due course, closer toward the end of the DXpedition. Watch the 3DA0ET Web page for updates at:

http://www.swazidx.org

4O, MONTENEGRO

Gab, HA3JB, will be active as 4O/HG3IPA from Budva between September 23-30th. This activity will be valid for the HA-IPARC Award (International Police Association)

http://www.ha3jb.com/iparc-award.html

Operations will be on CW, RTTY and SSB. Look for Gab to be active during the CQWW RTTY DX Contest (September 28-29th). He also mentions that he will make a side trip to **Sveti Nikola Island (EU-163)** during his stay in 4O-land. QSL via HA3JB direct. He does have a OQRS now (see **QRZ.com**).

9L, SIERRA LEONE

Operators David/N4WDT and Jerry/K4ZIN are planning to be active from here between October 16-21st, and are currently waiting for a license approval. Activity will be on 160-10 meters with a focus on the 30/17/12 meters and lower bands. They will have two stations on the air at less 12 or more hours a day. QSL via LoTW or via their home callsigns.

CR2/CT8, AZORES

Kim, OH6KZP, will be active as CR2X from Ribeira Grande during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/All- Band/High-Power entry. QSL via OH2BH. Before the contest, look for him to sign CT8/OH6KZP.

CR5150, PORTUGAL (Special Event)

Members of the Portuguese Navy Hamradio Club (NRA) will activate the special event station CR5150NM between September 8-14th. Activity is to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Portuguese Navy Museum since it was founded by the King D. Luis I. Activity will be on all HF bands except 10 MHz using CW, SSB and eventualy PSK. A special QSL card is being produced, and it will be issued and sent to all contacted stations. Stations should send their QSL card by the Bureau or direct to CS5NRA.

DXAC NEWS

ARRL Great Lakes Director Jim, Weaver, K8JE, reports that he is "pleased to announce the appointment of Stan Arnett, AC8W, of Marysville, MI, as representative of the Great Lakes Division on the ARRL DX Advisory Committee (DXAC). Stan is a well-known in DX circles. He replaces Kirk Swallow, W8QID of Cincinnati who resigned after several years of service on the Committee." He also mentioned, "The DXAC reviews topics referred to it by the the ARRL Board of Directors and recommends action on these topics to the Board. DXAC was tasked at the July Board meeting to conduct a review of existing rules that govern DXCC and recommend possible changes to these rules. DXAC is just one of several advisory committees that provide input from members to the Board."

DXCC 2012 YEARBOOK

The DXCC Blog Web Page reports: "The 2012 DXCC Year- book is now available online to ARRL members worldwide via the August 2013 Digital QST. To access this publication visit the Digital QST page at:

http://www.arrl.org/qst
http://www.arrl.org/img/170x130/DXCC_Items/2012YB.jpg

Look down to 'QST Digital Archives'. Click Go Now on this link. The various Digital QST covers will appear and the DXCC yearbook will always be in the August edition. When you open August 2013 QST on the cover is a yellow icon in the lower portion of the cover labeled 'Includes the 2012 DXCC Yearbook'. Click this to open the yearbook. You can read it directly online or print it out for future reference. Again, access to this is by ARRL Members, worldwide."

DXCC NEWS

Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operation is approved for DXCC credit:

JY9FC - Jordan; Current operation beginning August 2013

DX MARATHON 2014

John, K9EL, reports, "We are asking all interested parties for any ideas, suggestions or changes that would be helpful to the 2014 DX Marathon. The 2014 Rules will be finalized soon, so now is the time to express your thoughts and opinions. Please send all comments to:
john@dxmarathon.com
Thank you!.... K9EL - DX Marathon Manager"

DX Marathon Web page is at: http://www.dxmarathon.com

Also, join the "DXMarathon" group on Yahoo Groups!

E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS

Alan, K7AR, will be active as E51AAR from **Rarotonga Island (OC-013)**, South Cook Islands, between October 21-26th. Activity will mainly be RTTY, and he will also participate in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th). His equipment is a Elecraft K3 and KPA500. QSL via K7AR, direct or by the Bureau. Log will be uploaded to LoTW upon his return home. However, he will try to upload log on a daily basis to ClubLog.

FR, REUNION ISLAND

Willi, DJ7RJ, will be active as FR/DJ7RJ from **Reunion Island (AF-016)** between September 28th and November 2nd. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW and SSB. He prefers lowbands. Willi will use a K2 with a SS-Amp 500w into a INV-L 15m (49 ft) vertical and 12m (39ft) horizontal with 2-4 elevated radials each 20m (66ft) long. QSL via DJ7RJ, direct or by the Bureau.

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN

Johannes, DF5AU, will be active as HB0/DF5AU between September 14-19th. Activity will be on the HF bands with a focus on the higher bands using a beam antenna and amp, operating CW and SSB. QSL via DF5AU, by the DARC Bureau, direct or LoTW.

HB0, LIECHTENSTEIN

Operators Uwe/DL4AAE and Roman/DL3TU will be active as HB0/homecall either the second or third full weekend in September. Their operation is "weather permitting" as they attempt to operate from the summit of Augstenberg (2359 meters A.S.L.) [SOTA HB0/LI-004] using CW only with an emphasis on Asia. Equipment consists of two K3's running 100 watts into a Delta Loops for 20, 15 and possibly 12 meters. QSLs via their home callsign, by the Bureau or direct (see **QRZ.com**). They will confirm all QSOs by default with a nice paper QSL via the German Bureau. For more details and updates, see:

http://www.mydarc.de/dl3tu
http://www.mydarc.de/dl4aae

HP0, PANAMA (IOTA Tour Reminder)

By the time read this, operators Christian/EA3NT, Raul/EA5KA, Vincent/F4BKV and Col/MM0NDX, from the Invoker Team, have started their activation of six Panamanian island groups as HP0INT(/1,2,3,4 or 9) between September 5-19th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters using CW and SSB. The team tentative schedule is as follows:

September 5-8th - Naos Island (NA-072); callsign HP0INT/1; evening only
September 6-8th - Boca Brava Island (NA-071); callsign HP0INT/3
September 9-11th - Ogobsibu (San Blas) Island (NA-170); callsign HP0INT/2
September 11-13th - Grande Island (NA-202); callsign HP0INT/2
September 13-15th - Iguana Island (NA-203); callsign HP0INT/9
September 16-18th - Colon [Bocas del Toro] (NA-088); callsign HP0INT/4

Please be careful with HP0INT/2 as it will be used from two different IOTA groups. Listen carefully to the operator to know the exact location/IOTA. Direct QSLs are via F4BKV (OQRS preferred) [if you use IRC, he only accepts the new model valid until 2017]. Bureau QSLs are via F5CWU (OQRS preferred). More details and the OQRS are available at:
http://www.invokerteam.com/hp0int

IOTA NEWS

AS-074. Members of the Malaysian Special Expedition Team, who were active as 9M2SE from **Pulau Indah**, and were celebrating 56th anniversary of Malaysia's Independence Day last weekend, now have pictures and videos of their activity at:
http://9m2pju.blogspot.com/2013/09/9m2se-pulai-indah-iota-as-074-activation.html

EU-038. Tonnie, PA9CW, is now active as PA9CW/P from **Texel Island** (WLOTA 0043) until September 21st. Activity will be on 30 meters CW (his preferred mode) and sometimes PSK or RTTY. QSL via PA9CW, by the Bureau or direct.

EU-067. Marek, SP5ISZ, will be active as SV8/SP5ISZ from **Milos Island** (GIOTA SAS-089, MIA MG-072, WLOTA 4149) September 12-24th. Activity will be holiday style on the HF bands, depending on the propagation. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau, direct, eQSL or LoTW.

NA-058. Members of the Kennehoochee Amateur Radio Club (W4BTI) will be active as K4S from **Sapelo Island** (USI GA-007 [to be qualified], McIntosh County, GA) between September

12-14th. They also plan to activate the Sapelo Island Lighthouse (ARLHS USA-738, TWLHD WLH K-146, WW Loc. EM91IJ) and the Sapelo Island Range Front Lighthouse (ARLHS USA-1014). Operators mentioned are Ricky/K4JTT, Jim/N4DU, Joe/WD4FGB, Tim/WK4U, Jim/AK4I, Rich/KD4SEV, Ron/NV4U, David/N4VDL, Walter/KI4LAV, Tad/WF4W and Monty/K4MTX. Activity will be on 160-10 meters using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. QSL direct to W4BTI: Kennehoochee Amateur Radio Club, PO Box 1245, Marietta, GA 30061-1245 USA. Also via LoTW and eQSL. For more details and updates, visit the Web site at:

http://www.w4bti.org/special_events.html

NA-130. Mike, VE2XB, will be active as VY0BRR from Qikiqtarjuaq or **Broughton Island**, in the Nunavut (Baffin Island) East IOTA Group between Sept 23-27th. Activity will be concentrated on 80/75/40 meters using CW and SSB. QSL via VE2XB. For more details and updates, see: **http://www.vy0brr.jimdo.com**

OC-108/ (Postponed/Update) John, YB5NOF, informs OPDX that the reason
OC-109/ for the postponement is that his wife had a stroke on August
OC-122. 23rd, and was in the hospital. He did mention that they will
try to activate **Tambelan (OC-122**, as YE5T) sometime in October. Exact days and time will depend on transport and weather. He states that the weather between October and February is bad in that area, but they hope to do an operation. While waiting for the ferry express coming from Pontianak - Serasan - Tambelan - Midai and stopping on **Siantan Island (OC-108)**, they will be on the air as YE5R for 5 days. Activity for **Natuna Selatan (OC-109)** will not take place until April or May of 2014.

J4, GREECE (LH Op!)

Operators Costas/SV4FFL, Thanasis/SV4FFK, XYL Katerina/ SV4AFY, Jim/SV4AAQ, Nikos/SV4FFO, Tassos/SV4FFX and Kostas/SV4/SV8GGI will activate the Trikeri Lighthouse (GLHA GRE-128, ARLHS GRE-128, Admiralty E4442) for the second time in 5 years as J44LH between September 7-10th. Activity will be on 160-6 meters using CW, SSB, PSK and RTTY. QSL via SV4FFL.

JD1, MINAMI TORISHIMA (Update)

Take, JG8NQJ, is once again be active as JG8NQJ/JD1 from Marcus Island in the **Minami Torishima (OC-073**, JCG 10007) group until September 14th or 15th. He is there to work on the island's weather station. Activity will be limited to his spare time. He will be mainly on 17 meters but also on 15/12/10 meters CW. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct to JA8CJY: Susumu 'Sin' Sanada, 5-17, 5-4, Shin-Ei, Toyohira, Sapporo 004, Japan. Online log is available at:

http://dx.qsl.net/cgi-bin/logform.cgi?jd1-jg8nqj

P29, PAPUA NEW GUINEA (Cancelled)

Akira, JA1NLX, was expected to be active as P29VNX from Lissenung Island (New Britain Island), in the **Bismarck Archipelago IOTA Group (OC-008)** this week, but it was cancelled due to flight problem.

PACIFIC DXPEDITION TOUR (Update/Reminder)

By the time you read this, Gerben, PG5M, should have started his Pacific tour starting from **Palau Island (OC-009)** as T8GM for two days (September 6-7th), and is now active as V6G from **Yap Island (OC-012)**, in the Fed. States of Micronesia, until September 15th. He will return to Palau Island and operate between September 15-19th. This is a solo DXpedition and CW only. Station will be Elecraft K3 and ECO R7+ vertical for 40-10 meters. QSL via his home callsign, by the Bureau or direct. Important: Don't use IRCs as they can't be exchanged at his post office. For updates, watch his Web page and Twitter account at:

http://www.dx.to
http://twitter.com/@PG5M

PJ7, ST. MAARTEN

Dave, AH6HY, will once again be active as PJ7/AH6HY from **St. Martin Island (NA-105)** between September 13-18th. Activity will be holiday style primarily during his evenings and on 20/17/15 meters but SSB ony. QSL via AH6HY, direct or by the Bureau.

PROPAGATION FORECAST/REPORT (September 9-15th)

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Sep/09th AN      Sep/12th  LN      Sep/14th  AN
Sep/10th AN      Sep/13th  AN      Sep/15th  AN
Sep/11th HN
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SOLAR REFERENCE KEYS/INDEXES AND GEOMAGNETIC REFERENCE
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 NORMALITY                GEOMAG       K Values    Alpha
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AN  - Above Normal        Quiet        K=0-1       0-7
HN  - High Normal         Unsettled    K=2         8-15
LN  - Low Normal          Active       K=3         16-29
BN  - Below Normal        Minor Storm  K=4         30-49
DIS - Disturbed           Major Storm  K=5         50-99
VRY DIS - Very Disturbed  Severe Storm K=6-9       100-400
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*** **ADDED NOTE:** Has anyone heard or seen from Lee, KH6BZF? Your editor has been sending him E-mails for 4 weeks and has not received an answer.....

QSL INFO AND NEWS

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QSL-INFO from DB0SDX (For September 1st)
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3B9FR via HB9SLO          FG4NN via NI5DX          RI1ANU via ZS1OIN
4A2I via XE2I             FO8WBB via N6JA          SG0U via SM3CXS
4K6N via RW6HS (d)        GB1H via M0DOL           SV0XAO via DJ5JH
4O7TC via UA3TCJ (d)      HA30IGY via HA5OKE       SV1/YT5EA via YT5EA
5P5L via DD2ML            HB13ESAF via HB9BE       SV5/OM3RM via OM3RM
7T9A via 7X2ARA           HB9/RV3DH via RV3DHC     T10VB via UA4WHX
9A/DK2CH via DK2CH        IN3/DF2AJ via DF2AJ      TI60RC via TI0RC (d)
9A284MX via DJ2MX         KH2/N6CY via N6CY        TM0CR via F6FMT
A6/DL2RMC via DL2RMC      KH7XX via OE6MBG (d/L)   TU5DF via F5SWB (d)
CU6GRP via CU6AB          KP4/HI3RST via KP4 (B)   UN1L via W3HNK
EA200HA via EA2HA         LT5X via LU8XW           UT/UA4WHX via UA4WHX
EA200RKG via EA2RKG       NH0J via JJ2VLY          V5/BA4DW via BA4DW (d)
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EA200URD via EA2URD        OA1/DL1CW via DL1CW       V5/HB9PHJ via HB9PHJ
EA8/IK1JPV via IK1JPV      OM2013SIAF via OM8JP      V73NS via W3HNK
ED7IVN via EA7IVN          OM20TUSR via OM20TUSR     YB8S via YB9BU
EO73U via UT7UU            OS0S via ON4ZD (L/e)      YR60A via YO8AXP
ER0/US5ETV via US5ETV (d)  R400R via R7MP
ER52MOM via ER3BI          R73ASP via RA3TYL
  (e) eQSL only  (d) direct only   (B) Bureau only  (L) LoTW only
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DID YOU GET YOUR QSL?
Fred, IK7JWX, announced that if you did not receive your QSL for any of the following stations to send your QSO data via his E-mail address **ik7jwx2003@yahoo.it**and he will send a card via the Bureau as soon as he is done with the QSL back-log.

- ZA0IS and ZA0/IK7JWX : Albania, Dec. 18-23rd, 2002, 1st DXpedition to **Sazan Island IOTA EU-169**
- ZA/IK7JWX year 2003; ZA1-2-3/IK7JWX year 2006 from Durres town
- ZA0/IK7JWX : Albania, Dec. 2008 DXpeditions to **Sazan island IOTA EU-169**
- 5C2J : Morocco, years 2009, 2010, 2011, DXpeditions to Essaouira and Marrakech towns
- IY7NGM and IR7DLI, year 2009. - IO7J contests callsign
- TS8P : Tunisia, Djerba Island IOTA AF-083 and 3VFF-008, year 2010
- TS7TI : Tunisia, Raf Raf City (SSB, digital modes) and Tunisi (CW), year 2010
- TS7TI/P : Plane Island IOTA AF-091 and Kuriat Island IOTA AF-092, 3VFF-007, year 2010
- 5C2J : Morocco, Marrakech and Essaouira cities, Feb. 2011
- 5C2J/P : Morocco, DXpedition to **Herne Island IOTA AF-068**, Sept. 2011
- IQ7AF and IQ7AF/P activity 2012
- TS8TI : Tunisia, DXpedition to **Djerba Island IOTA AF-083** and 3VFF-008, Apr. 2013

QSL RECEIVED VIA LoTW: 9P6NW, A45XR, CG21, DH4JQ, DL3VEE, DL5RDP, DR1A, E79D, EA6NB, EA7AJR, EA8BVX, EA8TL, FG4NO, FY5KE, HB9TQL, HK1N, HK3C, HR1RTF, HV0A, LN2HQ, LX1NO, LY2J, LZ1105PIO, MJ0CTR, MU0FAL, OK2BMT, OZ1HDF, P29NI, PA3EVY, PJ4LS, PR7AR, PU5AGM, PY2OE, PY3CJS, PY5ZD, RV1CC, RV3KS, RV3LO, RZ3DW, SP3UIW, SP6EIY, SP6LUY, SK5A, T46RRC, TM0SM, TM6X, US5CB, V31MA, VE3MF, VK4CAG, VP2MOM, VP5S, VY2TT, XL2I, XZ1Z, YU1NR and ZF1A

QSLS RECEIVED VIA MAIL: 4A8DMR, 5W0M, 7O6T, 9J2QQV, K6VVA/KL7, K6VVA/VE7, V5/DK1CE and ZL9HR

QSLS RECEIVED VIA THE BUREAU: 1A0KM, 3A2LF, 3A2MW, 4W6A, 5B75FOC, 5U9AMO, 7P8US, 7Q7PRO, 8Q7SO, 9L5MS, 9M2MRS, 9U4U, A25NW, C21HA, CY0X, DL1BUG, DL5YYM, DU1IST, E30HA, FR/DJ7RJ, FR5DZ, FS/K9EL, HA7LW, HB9STEVE, IY4FGM, JW8HGA, KH2/G3ZEM, LZ1737SSS, MU/PA9M, NH0J, NH2T, OE11M, OE3DIA, OE4VIE, ON4AXU, OX3XR, OX3YY, OX6YL, OY3AA, OZ1CTK, PJ2/N5HZ, PJ4/K4BAI, PJ4J, PJ4M, PJ4NX, PY0FO, RI0FM, S21YZ, SQ0MORSE, SQ9UM, T88MR, TA2MW/0, TX3A, V63ZM, V73NS, VK6HD, VO1XX, VP5DX, YL6W, Z60K, ZK2C and ZK2X

SILENT KEY

It has been reported that Steve Hodgson, ZC4LI (aka 5B4AHA, C4C, G0LII, G6G and ZD8LII) became a Silent Key (SK) on August 31st. He was a DXer and Contester who will be missed. OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of ZC4LI.

SPECIAL EVENT (Highway to a DX Party!)

The Citrus Belt Amateur Radio Club of San Bernardino, California, will host (probably one of the most fun special event activities) the 14th annual "Route 66 On The Air" special event between September 7-15th. The purpose of this event is to offer amateur radio operators a fun way to "Relive the Ride" of their own memories of Route 66, and to celebrate the highway's 84th anniversary. The U.S. Highway 66 established in 1926, was the first major improved highway to link the west coast with the nations heartland. Through stories, songs, and TV shows, the highway came to symbolize the spirit of the freedom of the open road, inspiring many to see America. Look for the following 20 stations (three are rovers) operating in or around the major cities along the old "Route 66" from Santa Monica, California, to Chicago, Illinois:

Stations	City	Club
W6A	Is Not Being Used This Year - See IMPORTANT NOTICE on the Web page.	
W6B	Los Angeles, CA	Westside Amateur Radio Club
W6C	San Bernardino, CA	Citrus Belt Amateur Radio Club
W6D	Victorville, CA	Victor Valley Amateur Radio Club
W6E	Barstow, CA	Barstow Amateur Radio Club
W6F	Kingman, AZ	Hualapai Amateur Radio Club
W6G	Flagstaff, AZ	Northern Arizona DX Association
W6H	Albuquerque, NM	New Mexico Amateur Radio Alliance
W6I	Amarillo, TX	Chapter 141, QCWA
W6J	Elk City, OK	Western Oklahoma Amateur Radio Club
W6K	Oklahoma City, OK	W6K Oklahoma City
W6L	Tulsa, OK	Tulsa Amateur Radio Club
W6M	Riverton, KS	Valley Center Amateur Radio Club
W6N	Joplin, MO	Joplin Amateur Radio Club
W6O	Lebanon, MO	Lebanon Amateur Radio Club
W6P	St. Louis, MO	St. Louis Amateur Radio Club
W6Q	Chicago, IL	Six Meter Club of Chicago

ROVER STATIONS		
W6S	ROVER 1	Northern Arizona DX Association
W6T	ROVER 2	Northern Arizona DX Association

Special event stations are expected to be found in the vicinity of the following frequencies. (Look for digital modes in the standard band segments for such mode) All frequencies +/- QRM:

CW - 3533, 7033, 10110, 14033, 18080, 21033, 24900, 28033 and 50033 kHz
SSB - 3866, 7266, 14266, 18164, 21366, 24966, 28466 and 50166 kHz
Digi - 3580, 7070, 10140, 14070, 18100, 21070, 24920 and 28120 kHz
R66 MOBILE Operations - Any amateurs operating while actually driving along

Route 66 during the special event period are encouraged to take part in "Route 66 On The Air", by using the designation "mobile 66" for SSB or "/m66" for CW after their callsigns. All other amateur radio operators are welcome to contact these mobile operators.
REPEATERS - Some of the participating clubs will also be operating this event from their local VHF/UHF repeaters. Check the ARRL repeater guide for possible repeater frequencies, if your in the local area.

Each participating club will issue their own QSL card commemorating this event. QSL information is available on the Web at:

http://www.w6jbt.org/2013site/qsl-card-request-guidelines
http://www.w6jbt.org/2013site/qsl-card-routing-and-station-website-addresses

For more details about the event and the certificate that is available, please visit the "Route 66 OTA Site" at:

http://www.w6jbt.org/2013site/route-66-on-the-air

T30, WEST KIRIBATI

Operators Ted/JF1CCH and Kazu/JA1FUF will be active from West Kiribati between November 28th and December 4th. Activity will be on the HF bands (all mostly 40-10m) using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK. Ted will operate mainly on CW and SSB, while Kazu will operate mainly RTTY and PSK. They will use 100 watts into a dipole. Their callsigns and QSL info will be forthcoming.

T32, EAST KIRIBATI (Update)

A team of operators (TBA) will activate T32RRC to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the Russian Robinson Radio Club between December 3-11th. Tentatively, several USA members of the RRC are planning to be a part of the operating team and expressed a desire to celebrate the RRC anniversary with the T32RRC callsign.

On November 27th, Tim, NL8F, will arrive on Kiritimati Island and set-up one station at Captain Cook Hotel. If there are no unforeseen issues, Tim will be on the air using the T32TM callsign. There is no set plan at this time for Tim's operating hours. Tim will be active as on SSB or RTTY until December 4th.

Tim plans to operate part of the day and spend the rest of his time seeing the island or trying out the world class Bone fishing in between active periods. On December 4th, the balance of the T32 team will arrive and begin set-up of a second station and additional antennas. Once the balance of the team is on-site the T32RRC callsign will be the callsign used for the remainder of days the team is active on the island.

Please take note: This is a small DXpedition with limited resources. They will do their best to activate T32 with as much time devoted to the bands as possible. Currently, the plan is to have at least one station operating 24/7. They hope to have two stations operating during peak activity times. Unfortu- nately, there may be times when they are not on the air. Please understand that although this is not a "vacation style" expedition their manpower is limited and coverage day and night may strain resources. They will begin station dismantling on December 10th, with exception of Station 1 and certain band antennas. At 0500z, T32RRC will be QRT. Finish dismantling of stations and antennas. Suggested frequencies are:

CW - 1825, 3525, 7025, 10110, 14025, 18072, 21025, 24892 and 28025 kHz
SSB - 1840, 3790, 7085, 14190, 18140, 21295, 24945 and 28440 kHz
RTTY - 1828, 3588, 7040, 10140, 14080, 18102, 21092, 24920 and 28082 kHz

The 60m band is yet to be determined. More details and updates will be forthcoming. Stay tuned! Also, watch:

http://www.t32-2013.com

V5, NAMIBIA

Operator Hans/DF2UU and Hardy/DF3GY are now active as V55V from Omaruru, the QTH of Martin, V51W. They participated in the SSB Field Day (September 7-8th) this past weekend, and are expected to be in the Worked All Europe DX SSB Contest (September 14-15th). QSL via DJ8VC, by the Bureau or direct. Activity outside of the contest will be on 160-6 meters using CW and SSB.

VE, CANADA (Zone 2)

Members of the Association de Radio Amateurs Sept-Iles Inc. will be active as VE2CSI during the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (September 28-29th) as a Multi-2 entry. Operators mentioned are Dany/VE2EBK, Stéphane/ VE2SG and possibly others. QSL via M0URX.

VP9, BERMUDA

Christoph, DL1YAF, is now active as VP9/DL1YAF from Ed, VP9GE's, Hamilton QTH

http://vp9ge.com

on Bermuda (NA-005) until September 25th. Activity will be holiday style on CW, SSB and PSK31. QSL via home callsign, by the Bureau or direct.

WAP NEWS

* The 11th WAP meeting will be held in Mondovì, Italy, on September 22nd, to talk about Antarctica. The event is a joint effort between the Italian Castle Award DCI **www.dcia.it,** the Italian Flora & Fauna IFF **http://www.dcia.it/iffa** and the Worldwide Antarctic Program [WAP] **www.waponline.it**. See:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Tx9BDhqbI2Q

All is organized by the ARI Mondovì at a nice site near the French Border at the foot of the Alps. Topic of discussion this year will be: Antarctica in the twenty-first century. There are several new bases, huge scientific programs with only researchers, personnel and staff at the new bases, but little Ham Radio activity. Will it become difficult to make a DX contact with the "White Continent" in the future?

* Operators Oleg/ZS1ANF (UA1PBA), Alex/UA1PAW and Slava UA1PAI (RD3MX) are almost ready to fly south where they expect to be active from the Antarctica. This time the goal is to activate Novo Runway (WAP MNB-06) with the callsign RI1ANR and to be active on the Low Bands from the Antarctic continent starting November 2013 through March 2014. Oleg, ZS1ANF, did verify to the WAP group that they will be on Novo Runway during this coming Antarctic season. He states, "I expect busy time down there, I want to concentrate on Low Bands, especially 160m band." They plan to install a 18 meters vertical by RA6LBS for TX, the

same they used at Bellingshausen, a Beverage or a K9AY for RX; one XL-222 with RY-63 rotator from a Russian-Yagi for the High Bands. Also, they will have an ACOM1000 and some FT transceivers for the whole activity. Perhaps there will be a chance to visit other places during their stay. More details and updates will be available at the WAP Web site at:

http://www.waponline.it

* The WAP Antarctic Bulletin 259 (issued 3rd Sept. 2013) is online and downloadable at WAP website.

YN, NICARAGUA

Scott, K7ZO, will once again be active from here, but this time during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th) as a Single-Op/ All-Band entry. He will again use his smaller callsign YN5Z for the contest instead of his usual YN5ZO callsign. He usually operates "Field Day Style" using a 5 band Spiderbeam and 40m dipole on a push up mast. The radio is a TS-590 driving a KPA-500 amp. QSL via LoTW and K7ZO, direct or by the Bureau. Look for Scott to be active before/after the contest as well.

Z8, REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN (Z81R by Robert, S53R)

Martti, OH2BH, sent out the following on September 5th:

> "Under the auspices of Project Goodwill South Sudan, shared with the International Amateur Radio Union Region 1 and the Yasme Foundation and supported by Yaesu Musen Co. Ltd, the announcement of a much anticipated low-band operation is only a few weeks away. The multinational team is busy getting the equipment and other material into South Sudan.
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> Adding to the Z81X operation of last spring, Robert, S53R, will be in Juba, for a work assignment and will be involved with a preparatory phase of Project Goodwill South Sudan.
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> He is going to sign Z81R from September 10 to September 14, while the activity will be sporadic because of his professional duties.
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> QSLs for this operation will be handled by Martti, OH2BH."

ZD7, ST. HELENA ISLAND

David, ZD7DC, is a 16 year old operator on **St. Helena Island (AF-022)**. He states, "enjoy running a pile up - taking calls from any DX around the world. I rarely rag-chew but at times I do engage in longer QSO's. My working conditions include a Yaesu FT 450, powered by PSW 30, and a G5RV antenna tuned by MFJ 945E. I look forward to meeting you on air, and will reply to any QSL cards." Activity since August 18th shows David operates mainly SSB on 20/17/15/12/10 meters between 1430-0000z. QSL via his home callsign (direct only) listed on **QRZ.com**.

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